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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Copies of the references cited herein are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). No certification or fee is believed necessary. Any deficiencies in the fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 503-121.

It is respectfully requested that this information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. The Examiner is further respectfully requested to return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column.

The examination and allowance of this Application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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